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HINTS.

At Bellevue, on the 6th of August, the wife of Mr. P. S. Rogers, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 7th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 8th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 9th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

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At Bellevue, on the 15th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 16th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 17th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 18th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

At Bellevue, on the 19th of July, the wife of W. Martin, of a son.

"paid up" to the chief officer did not get foul

"of the propeller. The result was that the

"line fouled the propeller, the engine was

"turned round and a critical moment

"could not work, so the vessel gradually

"drifted out to the leeward, became a total

"wreck and was sold by auction for \$4,100."

It is also true that with the augmentation

in the number of steamers running on the

coast the chances of collision have increased.

On the other hand, however, the dangers to

navigation are now much better known, and

the coast is better lighted and beaconed than

formerly. Nevertheless, the case in favour

of the plea for three officers is a reasonable

and fair one, if it be practicable to enforce

it.

But is it practicable? In the present de-

pressed state of the shipping trade, with the

ruinous competition now going on, it is pro-

bable that steamship owners will be pre-

pared to add to their expenses and further

handicap themselves in the fight for freight?

It is hard to get half a loaf, but that

allowance is better than no bread. Even as

it is, British steamship owners are at a

grave disadvantage with competing for-

eign vessels, which are, as a rule, there

are some notable exceptions, especially the

great mail lines—excepted and offered, and

can thus afford to take a lower rate of

freight. Some of these small German

steamers only carry one certified officer, an

able seaman or boatswain doing duty

and keeping watch as second officer.

In the engine room, too, economies are also

exercised, and it is used sparingly, and the

pay, from the master downwards, is con-

siderably lower than that given on British

steamers. In their ability to run cheaper

lies the secret of the large increase dur-

ing the past few years of German tonnage

on the coast. While rightly having all due

regard for their own interests, the British

Mercantile Marine Officers' Association

should be careful to take this important fact

into consideration. After all it affects them

almost as nearly as it affects the owners.

Shipping has become so unremunerative on

this coast that it now barely pays expenses.

The small dividends earned of late years are

no temptation to continue the trade with all

its risks of loss. It is true that the officers

are not responsible for the competition which

has brought profits to the zero point, but the

fact unfortunately exists, and has to be made

the best of it. If an increase of running ex-

penses the trade could only be continued at a

loss it might become necessary to lay up the

vessels or abandon the field to the foreign

competitors. We think that on reflection

the officers of the British mercantile marine,

who have adopted for their motto "Unity

strength," will prefer to stand by their

employers in their rivalry with foreign steam-

ship owners, and wait for a more convenient

season to urge even so admittedly important

a point as the Three Officers Question.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Natal* left

Shanghai at 11 p.m. on the 26th inst. for

this port.

The Northern Pacific steamer *Baltica*, from

Tientsin, left Kobe at 6 p.m. on the 26th inst. for

this port.

The U. S. gun vessel *Albatross* left Shanghai

on the 26th inst. for Hongkong and Canton.

The C. P. steamer *Empress of China*, with

the Canadian mail, left Shanghai at 9 a.m.

on the 26th, and may be expected to arrive in

Hongkong at 9 a.m. on the 28th inst.

There is a rumour from Vladivostok to the

effect that the garrison has been strengthened

again from the troops in the interior, but this

may mean only an increase of labour intended

for the railway.

The A. C. Daily News learns that the Oxford

Faculty have invited Sir Chaloner Aldrich to

take part in the examination for the degree

of the 18th of October, and that he has

accepted the invitation provided he should be in

England at that time.

Shanghai in the new Japanese Mining Com-

pany, Limited, is now being formed by the

Japanese Government in another column for

send in a copy of the old Company together

with the call of 50 cents per share in the new

company, which will exchange it for scrip of

the new company.

The Shearman says that His Excellency Tan

Yungwei, Governor-General of Chekiang and Fuh-

kien, will leave Peking on the 26th inst. to his

post of duty. Preparations are being made

to receive the viceroy by the military Govern-

ment, who has sent men-of-war to Shanghai

to await the advent of the new Viceroy.

The rainfall for July amounted, according to

the observations taken at the Hongkong Ob-

servatory, to 10.81 inches, as compared with 14.91

inches in the corresponding month of last year.

This fall in precipitation quantities on a nation

wide scale is the result of the fact that the

month was 70.71 inches as against 70.20 inches

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIAN EXPEDITION TO THE
PAMIRS.

The Russian expeditionary forces have entered

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